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SUBJ: REACTION TO SFRC VOTE ON EMBARGO

1. SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE (SFRC) VOTE AGAINST
LIFTING EMBARGO, WHICH TOOK PLACE TOO LATE TO ELICIT REACTION
HERE MAY 12, IS MAJOR STORY MAY 13. GOC SPOKESMAN
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CALLED SFRC DECISION CORRECT, FAIR, AND IN LINE WITH PRIN-
CIPLES OF JUSTICE. SPOKESMAN EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT SFRC
VOTE AND RECENT HOUSE ACTIONS INDICATED EMBARGO WOULD BE
CONTINUED.

2. GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS EXPRESSES UNIVERSAL EDITORIAL APPROVAL
OF SFRC VOTE. RIGHT-WING AGON, WHICH HAS BEEN ONE OF MOST

VITRIOLIC CRITICS OF ADMINISTRATION'S POSITION, SAID SENATE ACTION PROVED AMERICAN PEOPLE AND CONGRESS, BUT NOT PENTAGON AND CIA, WERE ON "OUR" SIDE.

3. TURKISH CYPRIOT PRESS HAS NOT EDITORIALIZED ON VOTE BUT GAVE TOP PROMINENCE TO STATEMENTS BY ECEVIT, DEMIREL, AND TFSC PRIME MINISTER OSMAN OREK. LATTER CHARACTERIZED VOTE AS REFLECTING A HOSTILE U.S. ATTITUDE TOWARD TURKEY.

4. IN RELATED EVENT, GOC FONMIN ROLANDIS CALLED IN FRG AMBASSADOR PAGENSTERT TO EXPRESS GOC CONCERN ABOUT REPORTED STATEMENTS BY GDR CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT IN SUPPORT OF LIFTING U.S. ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST TURKEY.
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